

### Torrance Woman Dies In Collision

A two-car smash-up at the intersection of Olympic boulevard and Veteran avenue, near Santa Monica, resulted in the death of a Torrance wife and mother.

Mrs. Walter Palmer, 25, of 4702 Pacific Coast highway, Torrance, died at 8:45 a.m., Monday, April 9, shortly after being taken to the Santa Monica hospital.

She was hurled to the pavement when a car driven by Herbert Agid, 30, of 324 Via Del Monte, Palos Verdes, in which she was a passenger, met in a collision with an automobile driven by Ernest Grimes, 52, of Los Angeles.

Grimes, who was also thrown

### Rites Held For Summer Training Date Set For National Guard Unit

Graveside rites for Richard Santello, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Santello of 19424 Entradero, Torrance, were conducted last Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Holy Cross Catholic cemetery under direction of the Hardin and Flanagan Mortuary, Inglewood.

The child died a few minutes after birth in Centinela Hospital on April 1.

Also surviving are the baby's paternal grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Santello of Waverly, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Covington, of Manhattan Beach, announce the birth of a daughter, Sharon Kay, weighing 6 pounds and 14 ounces.

Summer field training for Company E (Bridge) will be held August 11 to 26 at Camp Roberts, California it was announced today by Capt. Douglas Horlander, commander of the local National Guard unit.

Capt. Horlander estimated 76 officers and men will journey to the Central California military post with the local unit. Strength of the Engineer company currently stands at 76.

This will be the fourth summer encampment for the unit and other elements of Southern California's 40th Armored Division since its release from the Korean combat duty in 1952.

Capt. Horlander said the combined facilities of Camp Roberts and nearby Hunter-Liggett Military Reservation offer one of the finest training areas for armored units in the nation.

Camp Roberts serves as an operational base, with its excellent recreational, living and administration facilities, while Hunter-Liggett provides approximately 45,000 acres of hilly terrain for field training. Additional off-duty recreation is available in nearby Paso Robles and King City, he added.

Local Guardsmen participate in 48 drills per year of several hours each, for each of which they receive a full day's Army pay for their grade. Military skills acquired during the weekly armory drills are then put to actual use during the 15-day summer encampment.

Youths in the 17-18½ age bracket gain a particular advantage in service with the local units, said Capt. Horlander. They may fulfill national military requirements at home,

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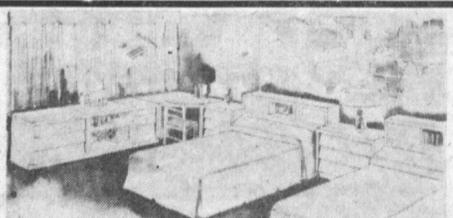
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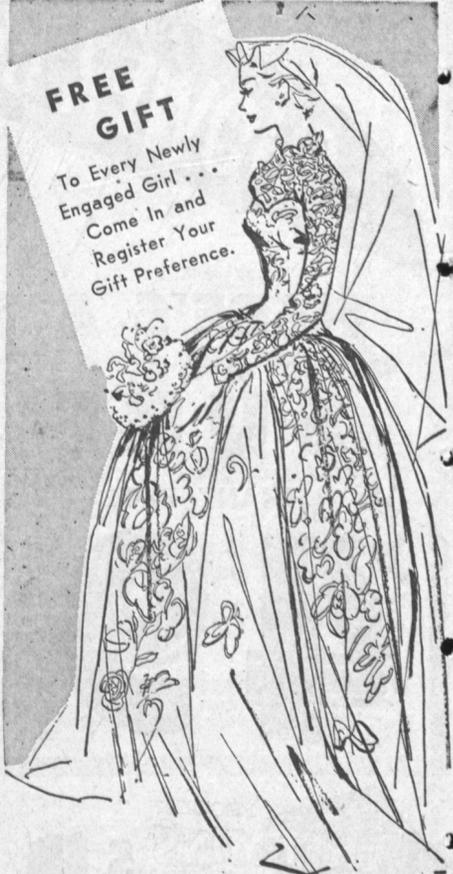
Henderson explained that the present branch library in Torrance is housed in a Torrance-owned building which was constructed with the aid of WPA funds.

The city of Torrance, under recommendation of the local library board consisting of five members, yearly appropriates money to cover the cost of a contract with the Los Angeles county library to furnish books and periodicals and personnel to operate the Torrance Branch. The cost of this contract was \$39,000 in 1955.

The local librarian is Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, employed by the county library. She has available in the rotating stock over 19,000 separate items which are available to residents of this area. Due to space limitations, the size of this book stock cannot be greatly increased, but available on special order from the main county library are other items from the total stock of over 1,000,000.

As a needed supplement to the local stock, the local Kiwanis club donated \$100 to be used for the purchase of children's books. These books will be available in the very near future and will remain at the Torrance branch permanently. Also, the Kiwanis club conducted a used book drive among its members which netted more items on other subjects which will also be added to the local stock.

"All in all," stated Henderson, "the per capita book stock of Los Angeles county, and including the Torrance branch, is one item per each two persons, which, compared to a nationwide average is an excellent offering."



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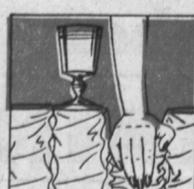
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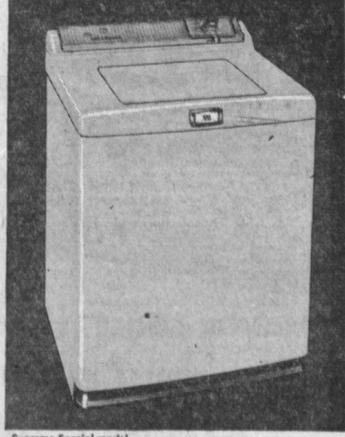
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